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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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<p align="center">CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION</p> <p>I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted via facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below:</p> <p>Signed <u>Gregory H. Luke</u></p> <p align="right"><u>2 pages</u></p>
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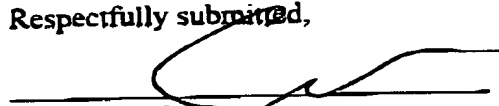
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REMARKS

Appreciation is expressed for the examiner's telephone conference noting that, formally, the prior response failed to explain how claims 78 and 79 are patentable despite the fact that the ambiguity regarding the status of these claims was pointed out in the first paragraph of that response.

For the record, it is respectfully submitted that claims 78 and 79 clearly are patentable for the same reasons that the other rejected claims are patentable, i.e., on the bases set forth in the response of June 1, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,


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